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SUBJ: GOJ APPOINTS RYOZO SUNOBE AEP TO INDONESIA

REF: JAKARTA 14048

1. FOLLOWING CABINET MEETING DEC 4, GOJ ANNOUNCED APPOINTMENT OF CAREER DIPLOMAT RYOZO SUNOBE TO NEW POST AS AEP TO INDONESIA. SUNOBE HAS SERVED AS AEP TO NETHERLANDS SINCE JANUARY 1972, WHERE TOUR HAS BEEN CUT SHORTER THAN NORMAL BY URGENT NEED TO REPLACE FORMER AMBASSADOR TO INDONESIA HIROTO TANAKA, WHO RETIRED FOR REASONS OF HEALTH.

2. CENTRAL REFERENCE BIO DATED JANUARY 1971 COVERS SUNOBE CAREER, INCLUDING SERVICE AT THAT TIME AS DIRECTOR GENERAL, ASIAN AFFAIRS BUREAU, MFA, TO WHICH POST HE WAS APPOINTED JUNE 1968.

3. SUNOBE IS CHEERFUL, DYNAMIC, HARD-WORKING PERSON, KNOWN AMONG COLLEAGUES FOR SINCERITY AND ABILITY TO DEAL WITH TESTY PEOPLE. SLIGHT AND ALMOST FRAIL IN APPEARANCE, SUNOBE IS SAID TO BE A STRANGER TO ILLNESS. HE SPEAKS ENGLISH WELL, AND IS CAPABLE NEGOTIATOR.

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4. AS DIRGEN ASIAN AFFAIRS BUREAU DURING MOST DIFFICULT PHASE  
OF VIETNAM WAR, SUNOBE BORE UP WELL UNDER HEAVY RESPONSIBILITY  
OF HELPING TO MAINTAIN SMOOTH COOPERATIVE RELATIONS WITH U.S.  
IN FACE OF VOCIFEROUS ANTI-WAR POSITION TAKEN BY OPPOSITION  
PARTIES AND PRESS. HE BELIEVES THAT REGIONAL COOPERATION IS KEY  
TO STABILITY IN EAST ASIA. SHOESMITH

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